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COMMUNICATION NETWORK

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed dated May 8, 2002, please enter the following amendments and remarks.

In the Specification:

Page 13, replace second paragraph, lines 9 - 18, as follows:

--It is preferred that only a minimum amount of optical carriers be used in a network. This allows the reconfigurable transmitters and receivers of each satellite to have reduced complexity and thus less weight and cost. It should be noted that the reconfigurable receiver may be any one of a Fabry-Perot filter, a wavelength division multiplexer, and a fiber grating-based optical switch. If seven satellites are used, only three optical carriers for communications between the local/arcaticetwork satellites needs optical to be used for communicating in one direction. This number is a communication of the local carriers for a low-interference, full duplex traffic.--



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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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	Fee An extension for months(s) has already been secured; the fee paid therefor of is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested. Extension fee due with this request	\$ \$
X	Applicant believes that no extension of time is required to respond to the Office Action However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applic overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time. No additional fee for claims is required.	

<u>x</u> The fee for claims has been calculated as shown below:

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Charge \$468.00 to Deposit Account No. 50-0383 of Hughes Electronics Corporation, El Segundo, California. Please charge any additional fees for claims or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0383. If any additional extension fee This form is submitted in triplicate. is required, please charge to Deposit Account No. 50-0383.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attorney for Applicant and Assignee, Hughes Electronics Corporation

Enc.: as noted